

# **Grants for Arts Programming Available to Delaware Community Organizations (Deadline to apply: March 1)**

Does your nonprofit use the arts to help accomplish its mission? Does your town put on concerts, festivals or artistic events? If so, you may be eligible for a grant from the Delaware Division of the Arts.

In addition to grants offered to arts organizations and individual artists, the Division offers grants to community organizations that sponsor arts programs. If you are a 501 (c)(3) organization whose main mission is not the arts, or a municipality that provides arts programs, you may be eligible to apply to the Division of the Arts for support for your project.

The Division of the Arts, a division of the Department of State, is dedicated to nurturing and supporting the arts to enhance the quality of life for all Delawareans. With that in mind, the Division offers both Opportunity Grants and Project Support grants to nonprofit community-based organizations and municipalities.

Organizations applying for the first time may wish to apply for a smaller, simpler Opportunity Grant designed for first-time grantees, smaller projects, or new opportunities.

Project Support grants are intended for larger, or more established, projects. Applications are competitive and judged by a panel of evaluators. They are evaluated for artistic quality, accessibility to the community, and management of the project.

Some examples include:

- In Harmony, a year-long concert series sponsored by the Dover Public Library
- The Pegasus Art Program run by the Boys & Girls Club of Delaware
- An artist residency in dance for Baylor Women's Correctional Institution run by Delaware Pacem in Terris
- The Nanticoke Riverfest put on by the City of Seaford
- A writing and journaling program offered by the Cancer Support Community

Community organizations wishing to request Project Support for an arts program in FY2014 must apply by March 1, 2013 at <https://artsdel.egrant.net> Find the guidelines for all grants the Division offers at <http://www.artsdel.org/grants/default.shtml>. A complete [list of Project Support grants awarded in FY2013](#) is available on the grants page as well.

"We always advise prospective applicants to contact Division staff before submitting an application, especially the first time," says Paul Weagraff, Division Director. "Terry Plummer, our Community Arts Development Coordinator, is always available to answers questions from community organizations about their ideas for arts programming."

Those interested in applying may contact Ms. Plummer at the Delaware Division of the Arts at 302.577.8280 or at [terry.plummer@delaware.gov](mailto:terry.plummer@delaware.gov).